



Fit for Mission (FfM) Update

Deanery of Toxteth & Wavertree

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The Heart of Fit for Mission

Fit for Mission is pioneering a new way of working to grow and sustain the Church for future generations.

We are asking God for a bigger church so we can make a bigger difference; more people knowing Jesus and more justice in the world.

Vision Statement of Diocese of Liverpool

Following the teaching of Jesus, Christian worshipping communities have rooted themselves in the *Great Commission* to **share the good news** of Jesus Christ (Matthew 28:16-20) and the *Great Commandment* to **show love** to our neighbours (Matthew 22:39). Through acts of sharing and showing our faith, we live out our missional vision by: introducing people to Jesus, deepening discipleship, developing Christian Leaders and working for justice.

Discerning our Vision and Mission

Over the next few weeks we will begin to answer two questions: What is God calling us to accomplish (vision) and What is God calling us to do (mission).



Through May and June, we completed two tasks: Community Assessment and Parish Laity Survey (70 responses).

DISCOVER

On Sunday 7th July (following morning services), we hosted an Vision Workshop (100+ participants) to share the results of the parish survey, and the findings of a community assessment report. We will have a report for you to review before the end of July.



DREAM

Naming our New Parish— Recently, we launched a request for a potential new name for one New Parish to encompass the FfM churches. If you have a name you would like to submit, send your idea here: clayton.rowe@liverpool.anglican.org.



DESIGN

On Sunday 8th September (following morning services), we will gather clergy and 3-5 lay representatives to engage in a Mission Workshop to draft missional goals to achieve as a larger parish.

Beginning on Tuesday 8th October - 19th November, we invite you to participate in [Cultivate](#), a lay discipleship and leadership programme, to increase our ability to share and show our faith. We will host a daytime event (10am-12pm) and an evening event (7-9pm). More information to come.

Then in the New Year, Tuesday 14th January - 18th February, we will have a special focus on justice with a series of workshops with [Together Liverpool](#). More information to come.

Change Team— Would you like to get involved in helping us plan our One New Parish? Consider a role on a change team. Read more about it [here](#). For more information and a discussion contact clayton.rowe@liverpool.anglican.org.

JUNE Achievements

- Launched Navigation Team
- Continue Right Buildings Process
- Continue Pyramid Reviews
- Completed Community Research
- Completed Parish Surveys

JULY Goals

- Send Vision Meeting Report
- Recruit for Change Teams
- Plan for the Autumn

Questions, comments?

- *Connect* with your clergy and/or members of your PCC
- *Explore* the website (more information added each week) [Ffm in Toxteth & Wavertree \(wordpress.com\)](https://ffm.toxtethandwavertree.wordpress.com)
- *Send* a question to the change facilitator at ffmtoxtethandwavertree@liverpool.anglican.org

Parishes on the Fit for Mission Journey

- Christ Church
- Holy Trinity
- St. Bedes with St Clements
- St Bridget & St Thomas
- St Gabriel & St Cleopas
- St James in the City
- St Luke in the City
- St Margaret
- St Mary

